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BONDS SOLD: WATER PURCHASE WILL BE HURRIED TO FINISH

Municipal water will soon be a reality in Sierra Madre. Stockholders in the water company will soon be able to convert their stock into cash.

These two cheering facts are due to the action of the city trustees, announced last week, in voting to pay a commission for the sale of the bonds. In effect the bonds are sold at 95 instead of at par. With the experience of other California cities in view the sale of the bonds at that figure seems to be generally regarded as a wise move. Some of them, even larger than Sierra Madre, have had to sell at a greater discount or let the bonds go unsold.

Torrance, Marshall & Co., are the buyers of the $111,000 issue which will make it possible for the city to buy out the water company. No other concern would agree to pay more than 90 and some even refused to consider that figure, giving some idea of the state of the municipal bond market.

The city will receive the full amount of $111,000 for the bonds, being prohibited by law from selling below par, but the trustees are advised by the firm of Dillon and Thompson that there is nothing to prevent the payment of a commission. While this is paid to the third party, it may be regarded as going to the purchasers of the bonds. The same method has been used recently by several other cities.

Seek Early Consummation

That the whole bond transaction and transfer of the company shall be hurried to the earliest possible completion is the hope of every one connected with the city government and the water board. The six months' extension which was granted by the water board on the city's option to purchase was made so long merely to allow for every possible contingency which might cause delay.

The buyers insisted on having lithographed bonds, which will require some time for completion. Allowing for that, it is thought the money will be paid over to the city by the middle of November, or the first of December at the latest. The amount due the water company will be paid over immediately thereafter.

Money for Stockholders

Disbursement of money to the company's stockholders will probably be commenced as soon as it is received. Some time will probably be required for complete settlement of the company's affairs so that the exact amount to be paid for each share of stock cannot be determined for some time. However, it is expected that as large a payment as possible will be made at once, to be followed by such amounts as the closing up of the company's affairs warrants.

There is no doubt that the money will be thankfully received by a great many people. Many, in fact, have been counting for a long time on turning their stock holdings into cash, being disappointed from time by the several delays which have unexpectedly occurred. The present scarcity of ready money will make it all the more welcome. That fact had much influence in determining the city trustees and water board on the wisdom of paying a commission on the sale of the bonds to secure an immediate final settlement.

With the purchase of the water company's holdings the city will be in possession of the entire local water supply and distributing system, including the Baldwin half of the Little Santa Anita Water. That is a consummation which has been devoutly hoped for so long that few persons have had the interest or patience to follow the long and complicated process through which it has come to pass. But every one in close touch with the situation knows that municipal ownership is the only solution of the water problem and that the result will be worth the struggle, for it means the life of the community.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

At morning service next Sunday the sermon will be a continuation of the study of "The Christian's Relation to Christ." In the evening the third sermon in the series on "Night Scenes of the Bible" will be presented.

Next Wednesday evening the topic will be 'Supreme Privileges."

Those who attended the Sunday school picnic last Saturday had a very enjoyable time.

We wish every one to feel welcome and at home in all of our services.

W. H. Hannaford, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Church of the Ascension, the Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, pastor. Vested choir. Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. Holy Communion, 7:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a.m. All are cordially invited.

HOME OF TRUTH

Devotional service at the Home of Truth next Sunday at 3:30. The Home of Truth is at the corner of Auburn and Carter avenues. Strangers are cordially invited, as well as all others. Services conducted by Harriet C. Hamor. Sunday school at 2 o'clock. All children welcome.

BUT ONE REQUIREMENT

Huntington Beach News.—The millionaire season is about to open at Pasadena. Pasadena is a beautiful winter resort but unfortunately it isn't particular about the class of its millionaire winter residents. Just so they have the millions, it doesn't seem to matter at Pasadena, in social circles, whether they were obtained by means of beer, boodling or bamboozling—by making a useless and harmful commodity, by gaining money in questionable ways or by reaping rich harvests through fooling the public.

Harold Costello has been visiting his mother, Mrs. C. F. Costello, this week after an absence of several months at Brawley. He has been acting as manager of a bakery and confectionery business and expects to embark in business for himself operating a cafe.

BOARD MEETS AGAIN

FIRST FALL SESSION OF BOARD OF TRADE BEGINS WINTER SEASON BOOST WORK

Promotion and improvement work for the season of 1913-14 was resumed by the Board of Trade at the first fall meeting in the city hall Monday evening. President Tarr presided and there was a fair attendance. The session was devoted largely to picking up the threads where they had been dropped at the beginning of the summer, and to informal discussion on various topics.

The names of J. F. Sadler, Donald C. Ashmore and Dr. J. M. Radebaugh were presented as applicants for membership and were voted in.

Chairman W. J. Saunders of the special committee on building restrictions made an informal report. He read extracts from a form of agreement for property owners which the committee had under consideration and an interesting discussion followed.

Chairman A. S. Mead of the special committee on telephone rates reported that owing to the absence of several of those in authority in the Monrovia company it had been impossible to carry on negotiations during the summer regarding reduced tolls between the two towns.

Advertising matters were discussed and the advertising committee requested to prepare plans for a new folder.

President Tarr called on Chairman Jones of the board of city trustees to talk on the water bond situation. Mr. Jones reported that a deal for the sale of the $111,000 issue had been made and reviewed the discouraging series of obstacles which the board had met in marketing the bonds. He hoped the whole matter would be cleared up so that the stockholders of the water company would receive payment for their holdings by the first of December or soon thereafter. (The bond matter is reported more fully in another column of the News).

DICTIONARY OF ALTITUDES

The topographic maps made by the United States Geological Survey show by means of contour lines, of which there are thousands on some maps, the altitude above sea level of every portion of the areas represented. In addition to portraying all physical characteristics, as well as the works of man, these maps constitute a wonderfully detailed atlas of altitudes, showing the height of every hill and slope. As the portion of the United States already mapped is more than 40 per cent of the total area and includes also the most important regions these maps constitute in fact a comprehensive dictionary of altitudes.

SAD BUT TRUE

Hollywood Citizen.—No one, familiar in the least with city and county affairs, can fail to greet with approval the plan for efficiency commissions to regulate the services of the scores of employees that the taxpayers of city and county reward. Perhaps the first thing which the public would like to have the efficiency commissions do would be to instill just a little civility into both city and county employees. There are two places in town where you are absolutely sure of gruffness, discourtesy, and unsatisfactory answers and information, and those places are the city hall and the hall of records.

After courtesy is taught our servants, the efficiency men can look around for the inefficiency and unproductiveness which every citizen knows exists in both places. Recently the attention of this paper has been called to a man who is drawing a salary from the county, as a clerk in one of the recording departments, and who, at the same time, is practising law, devoting but a fraction of his time to the county while he puts in his real efforts on outside interests, being away from his post of duty the greater part of the day. Yes there is much work for efficiency men.

Answered the Question.

On one occasion, just previous to opening in one of the large eastern cities, Joseph Jefferson discharged his property man, Bagley, for humiliating him before a number of friends by familiarly addressing him as "Joey." Bagley got drunk right away, and that night paid his way to the gallery to see Mr. Jefferson present "Rip Van Winkle." The angry frau had just driven poor, destitute Rip from the cottage, when Rip turned, and, with a world of pathos, asked: "Den haf I no interest in dis house?" The house was deathly still, the audience half in tears, when Bagley's cracked voice responded, "Only 80 per cent, Joey—only 80 per cent."

Thoughtful.

Singleton—Your wife appears to be an unusually thoughtful woman. Wedderly—That's what she is. Why, you couldn't imagine half the things she thinks when I am detained downtown late.

The Marvel.

Husband—When Gadzooks heard you sing at the party he said it was a marvel.

Wife—Oh, John! A marvel!

Husband—Yes; a marvel that any one asked you to.—Judge.

CLUB'S OPEN SESSION

MEMBERS AND GUESTS ENJOY HOSPITALITY OF WOMAN'S CLUB OPENING MEETING

Foremost among the social functions of this season was the opening reception given by the officers and directors of the Woman's Club in the Club House on Monday afternoon. The hostesses who received in the auditorium were Mesdames J. A. Osgood, Frank Wright, W. H. Ingraham, Clinton Nourse, R. A. Kimball, Fairbanks, N. T. Brown, W. S. Andrews, H. T. Fennel, W. J. Saunders, and D. Taylor.

During the afternoon Mrs. Osgood gave a charming welcome address and entertained the guests with an interesting talk on her recent trip to Boston via Panama. Readings by Mrs. Sherman Roberts of Pasadena and musical numbers by Miss Zink of Los Angeles were greatly appreciated.

The decorations throughout were most artistic. In the lobby bamboo and pampas grass were artistically arranged as also in the auditorium. Here about twelve small tables with dainty doilies and centerpiece of white roses and greenery added much to the general beauty as well as the sociability of the occasion. In the dining room pink roses and cosmos were utilized on the table, and dainty candelabras cast a soft glow over the tea and coffee urns which were presided over by Mrs. Osgood, Mrs. Ingraham, Mrs. Baker and Miss Coffey. Refreshments which carried out the same color scheme were served by Mesdames Goodfellow, G. Hallett Johnson, Rust, J. A. Allen, W. E. Walker, who were assisted by the Misses Hallie Kuhn, Dorothy Mitchell, Loraine Wright, and Gladys Kimball. The guests present numbered about a hundred.

LIGHTING IN STORES

So few merchants know anything at all about the natural laws of illumination that they frequently allow a lighting system to be installed which can never be quite satisfactory except at excessive cost.

In wiring a private residence considerations of comfort and absence of eye strain receive far less attention than the saving of a few dollars in wiring costs, yet a lighting scheme which will be satisfactory in all respects need not cost any more than one which transgresses every rule of scientific illumination. It is more a question of the position and height of lamps and the type of reflector or shade employed than of the number of lamps installed. Costly fitting may be just as unsuitable for their purpose as the cheapest, while a little thought and intelligence may secure for no greater outlay a system of lighting which will be scientifically correct.

There is ample room for missionary work among shopkeepers who are the most obvious sinners against scientific principles of illumination. It may not always be easy to convince a private householder that the position and type of fittings he proposes to employ are unsuitable, but the shopkeeper should be more amenable to argument since the success of his business in most cases depends upon the attractiveness of the display in his showroom and window. A walk through the main business streets of any large town in the evening will convince any one that few traders know anything about the science of illumination. There may be ample light—often there is far too much—but the lamps are placed incorrectly, and merely cause glare without achieving the object for which they exist—viz., to throw a good light upon the goods displayed.

Many shopkeepers imagine that they attract custom by suspending flame arcs as close as they can be squeezed together along the frontage of the shop within seven or eight feet of the pavement. They only succeed in half blinding pedestrians and preventing many from seeing even what trade is being carried on. Others crowd the front of the window inside with strings of naked lamps, the glare from which effectually prevents passersby from seeing the goods behind them, as a rule, except with considerable discomfort. Jewelers are extremely fond of this system of shop-window and show-case lighting, forgetting that the reflection from gold and silver objects is a factor to be guarded against rather than aggravated by the presence of unprotected points of light all over the window. It is not light that is wanted so much as adequate and correct illumination of the objects offered for sale, and the value of a shop window to attract business may be increased enormously by a carefully though out lighting system for the hours of darkness.

Sugar and Old Age.

The belief is gaining ground in many quarters that if you wish to stave off old age and to have the feeling of perennial youth and gayety, no matter what your actual years may be, you cannot do better than eat plenty of sugar. One of the pioneers of this theory is Professor Metchnikoff, who has made exhaustive experiments to prove his statements. There are some who even assert that not only does the frequent eating of sugar keep one from growing old, but that if a man or woman will begin the sugar treatment, even after senility has set in, the effect will be so great as to amount to a complete change in his or her character.—Exchange.

LOCAL OPTION IN TAXATION IS AIM OF PROPOSED LAW

In May, 1913, two-thirds of the members of the California Legislature voted to put on the ballot at the election in November, 1914, a Constitutional Amendment giving counties, cities and towns the right of Home Rule in Taxation. This is the Amendment the people are asked to approve at that election:

"Any county, city and county, city or town, may exempt from taxation for local purposes in whole or in part any one or more of the following classes of property: improvements in, on or over land; shipping; household furniture; live stock; merchandise; machinery; tools; farming implements; vehicles; other personal property except franchises. Any ordinance or resolution of any county, city and county, city or town, exempting property from taxation, as in this section provided, shall be subject to a referendum vote as by law provided for ordinances or resolutions. Taxes levied upon property not exempt from taxation shall be uniform."

Why did the Legislature submit that Amendment to the voters?

First, because the Constitution now compels all counties, cities and towns to tax all property in the same way. Second, because the present tax system is not satisfactory to the majority of the people. Third, because the Amendment gives more self-government to counties, cities and towns. Fourth, because a method of taxation that is satisfactory to one county, city or town may not be satisfactory to others.

What does the Amendment for Home Rule in Taxation mean?

It means that if the voters approve the Amendment, any county, city or town will have the power to make certain changes in its method of raising money for public expenses if it wishes to do so. But the Amendment will not compel any county, city or town to make a change if the people don't want a change. Home Rule in Taxation is what the Canadians call "Local Option in Taxation."

What Cities and Towns Can Do

The Home Rule Tax Amendment gives each city and town in California the same right to change the tax system that it gives to counties. Each city or town has so much money to raise for its expenses. Under the Home Rule Tax Amendment it may take part or all of the tax off some or all kinds of personal property, and take some or all the tax off any or all improvements; or it may go on taxing all personal property and improvements as is now done. Each city or county may do as it pleases about that if the Amendment is approved.

The present tax laws of California say that all property must be assessed for taxation at "cash value." But the law is not enforced because it can't be enforced. No assessor in California can make a "cash value" assessment of the goods in a department store, of a stock of hardware, of the machinery in a factory or of a block of houses. The assessor makes the best guess he can make; but the law does not tell him to guess. He must take an owner's word for the value of personal property, and the honest man who tells the truth pays more tax than the untruthful man.

Under the Home Rule Tax Amendment, a city or town will have the right to be fair to the truthful man, or it may keep the present system. One city or town won't have to follow a certain tax system just because all other cities and towns have that system. Each one may make as much or as little change from the present system as the Home Rule Tax Amendment allows.

For example, Berkeley may tax personal property on 10 per cent of its value, and improvements on 20 per cent of their value; Fresno may tax improvements on 100 per cent of their value, and may exempt all personal property; Eureka may tax personal property on 40 per cent of its value and may exempt improvements. Each city or town can do as it pleases about taxing or exempting personal property and improvements if the Home Rule Tax Amendment is approved. In that way a city or town can get a system of taxation that is satisfactory to its people, and a county can do the same.

PAY YOUR BILLS PROMPTLY

Inglewood News.—Some people become careless about paying the bills of the local storekeeper. It is not that they are dishonest; they are simply careless. "Oh, I've been dealing with that man for years now, and he won't mind waiting awhile," they will say as the first bill is poked away and forgotten until another reminds them of the unsettled obligation.

A local storekeeper cannot go on doing business at the same old stand and render satisfaction and the best possible equivalent for the money without his customers' co-operation. A cog will slip here and a cog will slip there in any business when this sort of thing continues indefinitely, and the home merchant realizes it has become a practice.

On the other hand, a prompt response to the merchant's first bill will be rewarded. It will place a well stocked store at your disposal [illegible] a list of prices that does not [illegible] be fixed with an eye to the [illegible] list.

While it is commendable to p[illegible] tradesman's bills promptly, it is still never to open a charge a[illegible] Pay for each article when you [illegible] and join the ranks of the loca[illegible] chant's best friends, better friend[illegible] than those who pay once a we[illegible] once a month.

As a matter of fact, this charg[illegible] count idea is nothing less than a [illegible] sonal favor. It is a favor that is [illegible] granted by the mail order conc[illegible] But when a storekeeper permits a [illegible] tomer to go on his books the [illegible] that customer can do is to settle [illegible] account promptly and regularly.

The C. E. Society of the Congregational Church held a very enjoyable social in the church parlors last Friday evening. Miss Gertrude Cook gave a lecture on her summer trip to Alaska with stereopticon slides and the "Sage Brush Orchestra" played several selections. Dainty refreshments were served. About fifty were present.

To Aid Early Shopping

Something new for the convenience of Christmas shoppers will be offered by the News Printery this season. We mention it early so you can keep it in mind.

Within a short time all of our delightful stock of carefully selected Holiday Goods will be on hand, though not on display for some time to come. We now have in course of preparation a complete sample line of these goods. It will soon be ready for your inspection.

You are invited to look it over at your leisure. Select as much or as little as you like. The articles selected will be laid aside till you wish them.

Don't you see the advantage to you? You make your selection from the complete line, at your own convenience, and avoid the late Holiday rush.

Having given considerable study to what is on the market we can say confidently that you will find nowhere else a more attractive stock or more for your money, than at the News Printery.

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CITY OFFICIALS

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City Clerk, C. H. Perry; Attorney, C. C. Montgomery; Treasurer, Max W. Wolff; Marshal, Tax Collector, and Street Superintendent, A. M. Udell; Engineer, W. F. Bixby.

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CHURCHES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Central Ave., at Hermosa. Rev. W. H. Hannaford, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a.m. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Christian Endeavor Society, 6:45 p.m. Evening worship, 7:30 p.m. Midweek prayer meeting, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Residence, The Rectory. Phone Black 70. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; Holy Communion first Sunday in the month, 11 a. m.; on the greater festival and other days by appointment, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday evening service from October to July, 7:30 p. m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Chapel on Highland avenue, east of Baldwin. Rev. M. W. Barth in charge. Services at 9 a. m. Sunday.

HOME OF TRUTH—493 Auburn Ave. Sunday service, 3:30 p.m. Bible lesson, Wednesday, 3 p.m. Healing meeting, Friday, 8 p.m. All are welcome.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

SIERRA MADRE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY—Central avenue, W. of Lima. Open each weekday afternoon from 1:30 to 5:30 and from 7 to 9 o'clock each evening. Mrs. F. B. Wheatley, Librarian. Municipal Library Board—George B. Morgridge, Chairman; H. J. Potter Mrs. E. T. Pierce, W. S. Andrews, J. A. Osgood.

FRATERNAL

SIERRA MADRE LODGE, No. 408, F. & A. M.—Stated meeing first Tuesday in each month. All visiting Masons welcome. Club House Hall. J. A. Patterson, W. M. J. D. Mackerras, Secretary.

SIERRA MADRE CHAPTER, O. E. S., No. 299, meets the first and third Mondays of each month in Woman's Club House Hall at 8 p.m. Visiting members welcome. Mrs. W. E. Walker, W. M.; Mrs. Frank Biederman, Secretary.

SIERRA MADRE POST OFFICE

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Eastbound

8:09 a.m. Riverside and San Jacinto local.
9:14 a.m. Kite Shaped Track local.
10:38 a.m. California Limited, Chicago and East.
2:40 p.m. Phoenix Express.
5:07 p.m. San Bernardino local.
5:51 p.m. "Saint" for San Francisco.
8:41 p.m. Overland, Chicago and East.

Westbound

6:17 a.m. Eastern Tourist Express.
7:31 a.m. Overland Express.
8:03 a.m. "Angel" from San Francisco.
9:14 a.m. San Bernardino local.
12:13 p.m. San Bernardino local.
1:44 p.m. California Limited
5:20 p.m. San Bernardino local.
8:18 p.m. San Bernardino local.

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8:05	3:05	8:10	3:10
9:05	4:05	9:10	4:10
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Brief Items of Interest

The Dickens Fellowship will meet on Oct. 22nd at the home of Miss T. H. Graham.

Mrs. A. S. Moore of Balboa was the guest for a few days this week at the Mitchell home.

Miss Fanny Scott of Pasadena was the luncheon guest on Thursday at the home of Miss Edith Blumer.

Miss Marguerite Anderson of Long Beach is spending the week her as the guest of Miss Mildred Sherman.

Mrs. F. E. McMillan and sons of Los Angeles have rented a home on Auburn avenue and expect to remain here during the winter.

The first meeting of the Ancient Priscillas was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Stevenson of Lamanda Park.

Miss Minnie Baker arrived last week from Canton, Ohio, and is visiting her mother, Mrs. William Baker, at the Twycross home.

The Modern Priscillas were very enjoyably entertained this week on Thursday afternoon at the home of Miss Edith Blumer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Moote and Florence Moote of Highland Park were the dinner guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. R. Moote.

Charles Camp who attends the State University at Berkeley spent the week end visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Camp.

Mrs. Daniells, wife of the Rev. Canon Daniells of Oceanside, has been the guest for a few days this week at the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Cornell.

Dr. J. M. Campbell and Miss Mae Campbell were guests for a short time last week at the homes of Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Mackerras and Mrs. Amelia Jensen.

Mrs. Elizabeth Borglum and Miss Danet who returned recently from Santa Barbara have been guests for a week of Mrs. Rollin Downing at the Rex Arms, Los Angeles.

The Misses Maybelle Caley and Verna Trible spent the week end Saturday at Beaumont as guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hathorn who were formerly residents of Sierra Madre.

Former Assistant Postmaster Gen. John A. Merritt and wife of Lockport, N. Y., and Mrs. Schoneman of Chicago were the guests this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Seeley.

Mrs. M. A. Williamson and Miss Alice Lockwood arrive today from New York where they have been visiting several weeks since coming over from Europe. They have been absent about a year on their tour of the world.

Mr. and Mrs. E T. Pierce returned on Wednesday from San Diego where they had spent ten days visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. W. K. Maull. They enjoyed a pleasant tour of Riverside and San Diego counties.

Miss Olga Olsen, Norma Olsen and Gale Williams returned home this week after an absence of nineteen months in Seattle. They were accompanied by Miss Oletta Olsen, who will visit at the home of her brother, Martin Olsen.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Thompson of Suffolk avenue have just returned from Ocean Park where they have been guests for three months of Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Parker. They recently enjoyed a motor trip to San Diego where they visited Dr. James McPherson, an old neighbor of Tonawanda county, New York.

Mrs. William Dennison entertained the Eleven and One Club very charmingly on Tuesday evening at her home on Grand View avenue. This was the first meeting of the season and a most delightful time was spent by the guests present. Those present were Mrs. Earl Mollenkopf, the Misses Marguerite Anderson, Mildred Sherman, Anna Janson, Ruth Sparks, Hilda Caley, Belle Caley, Verna Trible, Marion Decker, and Avis Preston.

Great interest is being shown over the chrysanthemum fete and dance which is to be given Friday, Nov. 7th, at the Woman's club house. Mrs. C. C. Montgomery and Mrs. Mary Davis Goodfellow are making plans for this affair and it is hoped that it will greatly outshine those of former years. The dance will be in the nature of a Japanese affair and special favors are to be given in the cotillion which will add greatly to the beauty and the general effect. Among the patronesses for the evening will be Mesdames J. A. Osgood, Frank Wright, W. H. Ingraham, C. H. Baker, C. W. Jones, E. W. Camp, Fairbanks, L. L. Krebs, and J. T. Mason. Mrs. Montgomery is especially anxious for the help and cooperation of the younger set to make this dance successful and would be glad if some of the young ladies would help her in making the favors. Any one interested is requested to call her on the phone within the next few days at her residence.

Miss Florence Vannier entertained a few friends informally last Thursday afternoon at her home complimentary to Mrs. Louis Blatz of La Mirada who has been visiting here for a short time. The afternoon was pleasantly spent with sewing and refreshments were served. Those present were Mesdames James Hawks and Lewis, the Misses Ruth and Daisy Hawks, Edith Blumer, Lydia Webster, and Annis Coffey. Out of town guests were Mrs. J. H. Hart and Mrs. Edward Hart of San Marino.

I. L. Trible has been visiting his brother, Mr. John Trible in Fullerton this week.

Hallowe'en postcards, greeting cards with envelopes, seals and silhouettes, crepe paper napkins, tissue and crepe paper in all colors, and decorated crepe with Hallowe'en designs, at the News Printery.

HALLOWE'EN MASK BALL

Hallowe'en will be celebrated this year by the Eastern Star chapter with a mask ball at the Woman's club house. The affair will carry out Hallowe'en traditions and promises to be highly enjoyable. Masks will be removed at ten o'clock. Tickets may be obtained for fifty cents at the real estate office of S. H. Spafford.

Judging by their window display this week one should be able to get any kind of insurance or bond from the Mead-Gilliland Realty Company. 3

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Exact Statement.

Some one has said that the man who laughs is the man who is secure in superior information, wisdom, wit or sophistry. The naivette of the Sudani supplies plenty of food for this kind of laughter.

There is the story of a telegraph clerk in an outlying district of the White Nile who, finding the desolation upon his nerves, telegraphed to headquarters, "Cannot stay here; am in danger of life; am surrounded by lions, elephants and wolves."

The hard hearted operator at the other end wired back, "There are no wolves in the Sudan."

He received a second wire, "Refering my wire 16th, cancel wolves."

He Was Vicious.

She—If I'd known you'd be such a brute to poor Fido I'd never have married you. He—The anticipated pleasure of kicking that miserable little beast was one of my chief reasons for proposing.—Boston Transcript.

Transfer paper for fancy work, at the News Printery.

There are some new pictures, both photographs and color prints, at the News Printery.

SINCERITY.

Truth and reality have all the advantages of appearance and many more, if the show of anything be good for anything I am sure sincerity is better, for why does any man dissemble or seem to be that which he is not but because he thinks it is good to have such a quality as he pretends to? For to counterfeit and dissemble is to put on the appearance of some real excellency. Now, the best way in the world for a man to seem to be anything is really to be what he would seem to be.—John Tillotson.

NEGLIGENCE.

There is the same difference between diligence and neglect as there is between a garden properly cultivated and the sluggard's field which fell under Solomon's view when overgrown with nettles and thorns. The one is clothed with beauty; the other is unpleasant and disgusting to the sight. Negligence is the rust of the soul that corrodes through all her best resolutions.—Owen Feltham

Special Fall Bargain List

From our numerous listings, we have chosen the following as unusually attractive from an investment standpoint:

1—East front lot 50x112 on Lima St., with all street work paid for $375.00

2—South front on Live Oak, 50x190, with cement walk and large street trees $375.00

3—Lot on W. Mariposa, close to Lima, 50x190, extra good soil. Terms, ½ cash $400.00

4—50x190 on Ramona avenue, sidewalk, curbing and fourteen large citrus trees. Terms, $175.00 cash, balance $10.00 per month and interest at 7% $475.00

5—Two south fronts 50x125 on W. Highland, between Baldwin and Auburn—street paved $475.00

6—Adams St., 50x150, with sidewalk, curbing and street trees. Terms ⅓ cash, balance 2½ years at 7% $450.00

7—South front, 51x146, on W. Montecito. Perpetual view, only one block to business center; terms $200.00 down, balance $10.00 per month and interest $550.00

8—49x150 south front on W. Laurel with magnificent view and several shade trees. Water piped over the lot $550.00

9—W. Montecito, between Sunnyside and Sierra Madre Aves., south front, 50x175 ..... $650.00

10—East Central Ave., 50x190, with several large shade trees $800.00

11—100x186, south exposure, fine view, on Olive. Small barn on rear. Will take 8% trust deed for full purchase price of 1250.00

12—Double clean corner, 100x190, with sidewalk, curbing and about 35 large citrus trees $1350.00

13—Monte Lado lot, south front on Grand View, 100x205, street work, sidewalk, curbing $1400.00

14—Five-room California house with screen porch, bath, gas and electricity. Place completely furnished, close-in, a good renter $1450.00

15—Five-room modern on Lima. Very cozy and attractive. Lawn, flowers, etc. $2250.00

16—Six rooms, modern, completely furnished on 50x150 on Adams St. Rents for $35.00. Easy terms or will take any good negotiable securities $2500.00

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ORDINANCE NO. 173

An Ordinance of the City of Sierra Madre providing for the issuance of One Hundred and Eleven Thousand ($111,000) Dollars of Waterworks Bonds of said City, authorized by the voters of said City at a special election held therein on the seventh day of November, 1911, fixing the place of payment of the said bonds, and of the interest thereon, and repealing Ordinance No. 154, providing for the issuance of said bonds, entitled "An Ordinance of the City of Sierra Madre providing for the issuance of One Hundred and Eleven Thousand ($111,000) Dollars of Waterworks Bonds of said City, authorized by the voters of said City at a special election held therein on the seventh day of November, 1911," passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of said City at its meeting of February 15, 1912, and signed by the President of said Board on said last mentioned date.

WHEREAS, at a special election duly called, noticed and held in the City of Sierra Madre, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, on the 7th day of November, 1911, at which no question was submitted other than the proposition to incur indebtedness of said city, the qualified voters of said city duly authorized said city to incur an indebtedness in the sum of One Hundred and Eleven Thousand ($111,000) Dollars by the issuance of bonds of said city for the purpose of the acquisition and construction by said city of a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The acquisition by the said City of Sierra Madre of the property, real and personal, constituting or appertaining to the supply and distributing system of waterworks used by the Sierra Madre Water Company, a corporation, in supplying water to the inhabitants of the said City of Sierra Madre for domestic and irrigating purposes, and to said city for municipal purposes, which said system of waterworks is owned by said Sierra Madre Water Company; and the acquisition and construction by the said City of Sierra Madre of certain improvements to said supply and distributing system of waterworks, including the acquisition of lands, waters, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor.

AND WHEREAS, it is desirable, and the public interest requires that provision be made for the issuance of said bonds in pursuance of the authorization aforesaid:

NOW THEREFORE, The Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. That bonds of the City of Sierra Madre in the sum of One Hundred and Eleven Thousand ($111,000) Dollars be issued in accordance with an act of the legislature of the State of California entitled "An act authorizing the incurring of indebtedness by cities, towns and municipal corporations, for municipal improvements, and regulating the acquisition, construction or completion thereof," and becoming a law February 25, 1901, and with all acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto, for the purpose of acquisition and construction by the said City of Sierra Madre of a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The acquisition by the said City of Sierra Madre of the property, real and personal, constituting or appertaining to the supply and distributing system of waterworks used by the Sierra Madre Water Company, a corporation, in supplying water to the inhabitants of the said City of Sierra Madre for domestic and irrigating purposes, and to said city for municipal purposes, which said system of waterworks is owned by the said Sierra Madre Water Company; and the acquisition and construction by the said City of Sierra Madre of certain improvements to said supply and distributing system of waterworks, including the acquisition of lands, waters, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor.

That the said bonds shall be one hundred and eleven in number, and shall be designated as "Water Works Bonds, Election 1911," and shall be issued in the denomination of one thousand dollars each, and the principal and interest thereof shall be payable in gold coin of the United States; that they shall be dated February 1, 1913, and bear interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of August and the first day of February of every year.

Said bonds shall be numbered from 1 to 111 inclusive, and shall be payable in the manner following:

Bonds numbered 1, 2 and 3 on the first day of February, 1916;
Bonds numbered 4, 5 and 6 on the first day of February, 1917;
Bonds numbered 7, 8 and 9 on the first day of February, 1918;
Bonds numbered 10, 11 and 12 on the first day of February, 1919;
Bonds numbered 13, 14 and 15 on the first day of February, 1920;
Bonds numbered 16, 17 and 18 on the first day of February, 1921;
Bonds numbered 19, 20 and 21 on the first day of February, 1922;
Bonds numbered 22, 23 and 24 on the first day of February, 1923;
Bonds numbered 25, 26 and 27 on the first day of February, 1924;
Bonds numbered 28, 29 and 30 on the first day of February, 1925;
Bonds numbered 31, 32 and 33 on the first day of February, 1926;
Bonds numbered 34, 35 and 36 on the first day of February, 1927;
Bonds numbered 37, 38 and 39, on the first day of February, 1928;
Bonds numbered 40, 41 and 42, on the first day of February, 1929;
Bonds numbered 43, 44 and 45, on the first day of February, 1930;
Bonds numbered 46, 47 and 48, on the first day of February, 1931;
Bonds numbered 49, 50 and 51, on the first day of February, 1932;
Bonds numbered 52, 53 and 54, on the first day of February, 1933;
Bonds numbered 55, 56 and 57, on the first day of February, 1934;
Bonds numbered 58, 59 and 60, on the first day of February, 1935;
Bonds numbered 61, 62 and 63, on the first day of February, 1936;
Bonds numbered 64, 65 and 66, on the first day of February, 1937;
Bonds numbered 67, 68 and 69, on the first day of February, 1938;
Bonds numbered 70, 71 and 72, on the first day of February, 1939;
Bonds numbered 73, 74 and 75, on the first day of February, 1940;
Bonds numbered 76, 77 and 78, on the first day of February, 1941;
Bonds numbered 79, 80 and 81, on the first day of February, 1942;
Bonds numbered 82, 83 and 84, on the first day of February, 1943;
Bonds numbered 85, 86 and 87, on the first day of February, 1944;
Bonds numbered 88, 89 and 90, on the first day of February, 1945;
Bonds numbered 91, 92 and 93, on the first day of February, 1946;
Bonds numbered 94, 95 and 96, on the first day of February, 1947;
Bonds numbered 97, 98 and 99, on the first day of February, 1948;
Bonds numbered 100, 101 and 102, on the first day of February, 1949;
Bonds numbered 103, 104 and 105, on the first day of February, 1950;
Bonds numbered 106, 107 and 108, on the first day of February, 1951;
Bonds numbered 109, 110 and 111, on the first day of February, 1952;

at a place within the United States herein fixed by the Board of Trustees of said City of Sierra Madre and hereinafter in this ordinance stated, and to be designated in said bonds, together with interest on all sums unpaid at such date. Said bonds shall be substantially in the following form, to-wit:

Number.....

United States of America
State of California
CITY OF SIERRA MADRE
WATER WORKS BOND,
Election 1911.

$.....

Sierra Madre, Cal., February 1, 1913.

On the first day of February, A. D.....(year of maturity), the City of Sierra Madre will pay to the bearer, at the office of the City Treasurer of the City of Sierra Madre, in the City of Sierra Madre, State of California, or at the banking house of Kountze Brothers, in the City of New York, State of New York, at the option of the holder, the sum of One Thousand Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first day of August and the first day of February, at the Office of the City Treasurer of the City of Sierra Madre, in the City of Sierra Madre, State of California, or at the banking house of Kountze Brothers, in the City of New York, State of New York, at the option of the holder, upon presentation and surrender of the interest coupon hereto attached, principal and interest payable in gold coin of the United States.

This bond is issued in pursuance of and in full compliance with the provisions of the act of the legislature of the State of California, which became a law February 25, 1901, and amendments thereof, authorizing the incurring of indebtedness by cities for municipal improvements, and the constitution and laws of said state.

It is further certified that all requirements of the constitution and laws of the State of California have been fully complied with by the proper officers in the issuing of this bond; that this issue of bonds has been authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the duly qualified electors of said city voting on the question of such issue, at a special election duly and regularly called and held in said city on the 7th day of November, 1911; that provision has been made for the collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on said issue of bonds including this bond as said interest falls due, and also provision to constitute a sinking fund for the payment of the principal thereof, and that the total amount of this issue, together with all other indebtedness of said city, does not exceed the limit prescribed by the constitution and laws of the State of California.

.....
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre.

.....
Treasurer of the City of Sierra Madre.

Countersigned:

.....
City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre.

That coupons shall be attached to each of said one hundred and eleven bonds for the interest accruing thereon, and said coupons shall be substantially in the following form, to-wit:

$.....(Amount)

On the first day of ..... (month of maturity), A. D..... (year of maturity), the City of Sierra Madre, California, promises to pay to bearer, at the office of the City Treasurer of the City of Sierra Madre, in the City of Sierra Madre, State of California, or at the banking house of Kountze Brothers, in the City of New York, State of New York, at the option of the holder, the sum of..... .....(amount), in gold coin of the United States, the semi-annual interest due on water works bond, election 1911, No..... (number of bond to which coupon is attached).

.....
Treasurer of the City of Sierra Madre.

SECTION 2. That the President of the Board of Trustees and the Treasurer of said city are hereby authorized and directed to sign all of said bonds, and the city clerk of said city is hereby authorized and directed to countersign said bonds and to affix the corporate seal of said city thereto, and the Treasurer of said city is hereby authorized and directed to sign the interest coupons of said bonds and said bonds shall be delivered by said City Clerk to said City Treasurer in such amounts as the Board of Trustees of said city may from time to time determine; and said City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to sign all of the interest coupons of said bonds by his lithographed or engraved signature.

SECTION 3. That the proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be placed in the treasury of said city to the credit of a fund to be known as the "Water Works Bonds, Election 1911 Fund" and shall be applied exclusively to the purpose mentioned in the ordinance, to-wit: To the purpose of the acquisition and construction by the City of Sierra Madre of a certain revenue-producing municipal improvement, more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The acquisition by the said City of Sierra Madre of the property, real and personal, constituting or appertaining to the supply and distributing system of water works used by the Sierra Madre Water Company, a corporation, in supplying water to the inhabitants of the said City of Sierra Madre for domestic and irrigating purposes, and to said city for municipal purposes, which said system of waterworks is owned by the said Sierra Madre Water Company, and the acquisition and construction by the said City of Sierra Madre of certain improvements to said supply and distributing system of waterworks, including the acquisition of lands, waters, water rights, rights of way and other property, the construction of aqueducts, conduits, ditches, canals, tunnels, water mains, pipes, reservoirs and other works necessary therefor.

SECTION 4. That for the purpose of securing and providing for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds, there is hereby created a fund to be known as "Water Works Bonds, Election 1911, Interest and Sinking Fund;" that all the money which, from time to time, shall be placed in said fund shall be and is hereby set apart exclusively for the purpose of meeting all sums coming due for principal and interest on all of the aforesaid bonds which may be issued under the proceedings hereinbefore recited. That for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of said bonds the Board of Trustees of said city shall, at the time of fixing the general tax levy, and in the manner for such general tax levy provided, levy and collect, annually, each year until such bonds are paid, or until there shall be a sum in the treasury of said city set apart for that purpose to meet all sums coming due for principal and interest on such bonds, a tax sufficient to pay the interest on such bonded indebtedness as it falls due, and also to constitute a sinking fund for the payment of the principal thereof on or before maturity. Said tax shall be in addition to all other taxes levied for municipal purposes, and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as other municipal taxes are collected, and forthwith, as collected, shall be turned over to and paid into said "Water Works Bonds, Election 1911, Interest and Sinking Fund," and to be used for no other purpose than the payment of said bonds and accruing interest.

SECTION 5. That the said One Hundred and Eleven Thousand ($111,000) Dollars of bonds of the said City of Sierra Madre mentioned in this ordinance, and the issuance of which is provided for by this ordinance which said bonds were authorized as aforesaid at the special election held in said City on the Seventh day of November, 1911, and each and every part of said bonds, together with the interest thereon, shall be paid, and the same are hereby made payable at the office of the City Treasurer of the City of Sierra Madre, in the City of Sierra Madre, State of California, or at the banking house of Kountze Brothers, in the City of New York, State of New York, at the option of the holder, and such place of payment is hereby ordered and directed to be inserted and specified in such bonds, and in each and every part thereof.

SECTION 6. That Ordinance No. 154 of Ordinances of the City of Sierra Madre, providing for the issuance of said bonds, entitled "An Ordinance of the City of Sierra Madre providing for the issuance of One Hundred and Eleven Thousand ($111,000) Dollars of Waterworks Bonds of said City, authorized by the voters of said City at a special election held therein on the seventh day of November, 1911," which said ordinance was passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of said City of Sierra Madre at its meeting of February 15, 1912, and was signed and approved by the President of said Board of Trustees February 15, 1912, be and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. That the City Clerk of said City of Sierra Madre shall certify to the passage, adoption and approval of this ordinance; that this ordinance shall be signed by the President of the Board of Trustees of said city, attested by said City Clerk; and said City Clerk shall cause this ordinance to be published once in the Sierra Madre News, a newspaper of general circulation printed and published weekly in said City.

Passed, adopted, signed and approved this 16th day of October, 1913.

C. W. JONES,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre, and Executive of said City.

Attest:

C. H. PERRY
City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre California.

(Seal of the City of Sierra Madre)
State of California,
County of Los Angeles,
City of Sierra Madre,
ss.

I hereby certify that the whole number of members of the Board of Trustees of the said City of Sierra Madre is Five, and that the foregoing Ordinance No. 173 was presented and read to said Board, and introduced by Trustee Pegler, at a regular meeting of said Board on August 28th, 1913, and that said ordinance was passed and adopted by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members of said Board at a regular adjourned meeting of said Board held on the 16th day of October, 1913, and that said ordinance was so passed and adopted by the following vote, to wit:

Ayes: Pegler, Steinberger, Tarr and Jones.

Noes: None.

Absent: Gray.

And I further certify that said ordinance was, on said 16th day of October, 1913, signed and approved by C. W. Jones, President of said Board, and attested by me as City Clerk of said City with the seal of said City, this 16th day of October, 1913.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said City this 16th day of October, 1913.

Attest: C. H. PERRY,
City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre, California.
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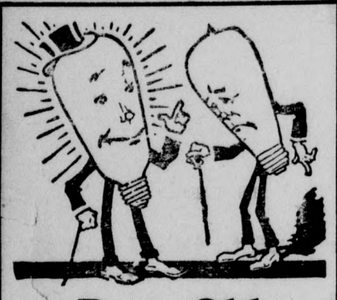

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WARNING ABOUT AVOCADOES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 16.—To prospective avocado planters in Southern California who may consider the advisability of planting avocados on an extensive commercial scale, the United States department of agriculture offers a word of caution. Many varieties of avocado of which a considerable number have recently been imported from without the state, have never fruited at any point within the state, so far as is known to the department. For this reason their suitability for commercial culture in their new environment is still a matter of question.

Experience with young avocado trees of certain varieties; principally the large fruited West Indian and South American kinds introduced in Southern California has up to the present seemed rather discouraging than otherwise. The newly introduced plants have proved considerably more susceptible to frost than some of the Mexican types which have fruited in California, and during the cold weather of January, 1913, many trees of the West Indian and South American varieties were killed in localities where Mexican trees survived. These trees were all young specimens and probably not able to withstand as low temperatures as a mature tree; nevertheless past experience has indicated beyond the possibility of a doubt that all so-called South American varieties which have been tested were much more tender than numerous Mexican varieties established in the California trade.

California avocado planters have seemed particularly desirous of obtaining a variety that ripens late in the fall. The mere fact, however, that a variety fruits in Florida in the fall does not necessarily determine that it will fruit during the same season in California. Indeed the different climatic conditions of the two regions might possibly alter the fruiting season. This is known to be the case with several varieties introduced to California from other regions.

Numerous varieties of avocado which have originated locally as seedlings are now offered by California nurserymen. Others have been introduced from the cooler region of Mexico, and give promise of being as well adapted to California conditions as those of local origin, most of the local seedlings, in fact, being the progeny of trees growing at various points in Mexico and Guatemala.

Those who contemplate the establishment of a commercial avocado orchard at present would certainly be safer, therefore, in planting varieties which they know to be adapted to California conditions rather than to undertake the extensive planting of any varieties the hardiness of which has not been established.

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